

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 34-18.32 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.32 new)

7 Sec. 34-18.32. Healthy Kids - Healthy Minds Expanded Vision  
8 Program. Because 80% of a child's learning is felt to be  
9 through the visual system, the board shall establish a program  
10 to identify students who are in need of basic vision care, yet  
11 are not covered by insurance or public assistance or do not  
12 have the financial ability to pay for services and therefore  
13 are not receiving appropriate vision care, to be known as the  
14 Healthy Kids - Healthy Minds Expanded Vision Program. Through  
15 this program, subject to appropriation, the district, in  
16 cooperation with health care providers, shall serve students at  
17 a minimum or no cost to the students. The program may provide,  
18 but is not limited to, vision examinations and glasses.  
19 Eligibility for services must be determined by prioritization  
20 of students based on both physical and financial need.